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(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Irving W. Wainer et al.

Application No. 10/820,809

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Art Unit: 1631

For: COMPUTER-BASED MODEL FOR
IDENTIFICATION AND
CHARACTERIZATION FOR NON-
COMPETITIVE INHIBITORS OF NICOTINIC
ACETYLCHOLINE RECEPTORS AND
RELATED LIGAND-GATED ION CHANNEL
RECEPTORS

Examiner: M. L. Borin

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Madam:

In reply to the Interview Summary dated March 20, 2009, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application. This reply includes:

Remarks which begin on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS

Statement of substance of interview

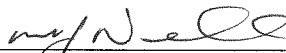
A telephonic interview was conducted with Examiner Borin on March 17, 2009 to confirm the status of the Office Action pending in the above-identified application as non-final. Mr. Borin confirmed that the Office Action was non-final as indicated in the Interview Summary dated March 20, 2007 and that the Amendment filed March 11, 2009 was an adequate response to the Office Action of September 17, 2008.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Mark J. Nuell, Ph.D., Registration No. 36,623 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Dated: March 27, 2009

Respectfully submitted,

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